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though the apparatus might be built without prior approval of projects. He also pointed out that the greatest bottle neck in Ops activities was the lack of sufficient well-trained personnel to permit decentralization and a large degree of autonomy. He estimated that because of this bottle neck and others no heavier work load than that presently carried could be sustained before the end of Fiscal 1953. Since, however, existing projects could not be expected to match 1953 objectives, additional projects must be approved. It follows that the lowest priority and least profitable projects must be eliminated to make the maximum use of existing assets and particularly existing personnel. Projects eliminated under these standards might well be good projects and worth pursuing were additional personnel available. The basic objective is to hit the center of the target with the assets at hand, eliminating peripheral undertakings.

ADPC thereupon appointed a three-man committee consisting of DPO^(*), SRI⁽²⁾, and SPC⁽³⁾ to screen all existing projects to effect the above-mentioned eliminations. He said that at such screenings the interested Division Chief and C/OD should also be present and that C/PY and C/WP should participate as appropriate.

4. With respect to the status of merger, ADPC stated that he was sorry to report that he had had to nonconcur in a draft agreement prepared by ADSO. The latter had stated that in his opinion the differences were largely semantic and that he anticipated their resolution by 15 May. ADPC stated that he stood on two basic principles: First, decentralization to operational headquarters overseas and, second, merger down to the point needed to protect espionage operations. ADPC then reviewed briefly the status of decentralization planning in the respective Divisions, urged that such planning be continued, and stated that no sudden order would be issued requiring decentralization.

5. With respect to staff-line relationships, ADPC stated that these had to be improved. He pointed out that his own staff included the red, white and blue functions and directed that each Area Division Chief designate an opposite number within his division. He pointed out that Division Chiefs and PC Deputies were responsible for all three of these functions, the command responsibility being to DD/P and the staff responsibility to himself. He said that he spoke in DD/P's name and that what he said could be challenged to DD/P. He urged that matters be taken up with him in the first instance and that the existing split responsibility situation be not exploited. He urged that he be kept more fully informed and ordered that Area Division Chiefs instruct their case officers that where DD/P, DDCI or DCI gives a substantial and important order affecting Ops that he be informed immediately. Likewise, if Division personnel are summoned to the Hill, he

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should be informed ahead of time if possible, or afterwards if necessary. In response to a question, ADPC stated that informing EXO, EDA, DADPC, DFO or C/CD be considered to be informing him. Inclusion in the daily log was suggested as a good technique, and a telephone call or informal memorandum on a blue slip entirely acceptable as a method of advice.

ADPC directed that his staff officers meet with their opposite numbers in the Area Divisions at least once each week and he requested that EXO discuss with each Division Chief the designation of opposite staff numbers.

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6. ADPC called the attention of all present to [REDACTED] a report entitled "Split in Soviet Communist Leadership" stating that it was an excellent paper and was to be read by all. He directed DFO to see that a copy was made available to each Division Chief and that the latter read it, and he said that he proposed to call a meeting of Division Chiefs to critique the paper.

Called all Divisions 5-14-52 -mjb

7. EXO, referring to the emphasis on the building of the apparatus, called attention to existing regulations requiring a minimum of training and emphasized that this was particularly directed at staff division personnel. He also noted that during his recent trip he had seen evidence of inadequate briefing of personnel going to the field and stated that the creation of a central check-off point was being considered. In this connection he asked for suggestions from those present.

8. SAR stated that suggestions for deception operations might well be forthcoming from area personnel. He pointed out that this field is very complex and one in which it is easy to become involved. He therefore suggested that all suggestions with respect to deception operations be taken to ADPC or ADSO, as appropriate.

9. G/PY stated that he was planning a series of Area Division briefings on the functions and capabilities of the PY Division and invited any members of ADPC's staff to attend. He also stated that [REDACTED] had completed certain project evaluation reports which he felt might be useful to the Project Screening Committee above referred to.

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He brought up functions of IG, establishment of [REDACTED] 25X1A and staff-line relationship.

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